

**MINUTES OF THE WARREN TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE  
AUGUST 14, 2014**

**REGULAR MEETING**

The Township Committee of the Township of Warren, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, convened in Public Session on Thursday, August 14, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the Susie B. Boyce Meeting Room, 44 Mountain Boulevard, Warren, New Jersey.

Mayor DiNardo read the following notice:

“In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting was provided on January 9, 2014 by sending written notices to the Echoes Sentinel and Courier News, posting on the Bulletin Board in the Municipal Building and filing with the Township Clerk”.

“This meeting is to be taped for broadcast on the Access Channel and everyone is required to comply with the policies and procedures governing access programming for the Access Channel. No mention of political affiliation or political advertising shall take place at this meeting or it will be deleted from any rebroadcast of the meeting.”

On call of the roll, the following Committee members were present:

Mr. Lazo  
Mr. Marion  
Mr. Sordillo  
Mrs. Garafola  
Mayor DiNardo

Also Present: Mark M. Krane, Township Administrator  
Patricia A. DiRocco, Township Clerk  
Jeffrey B. Lehrer, Township Attorney

Mr. Lazo introduced and read resolution No. 2014-175, seconded by Mr. Marion and carried by unanimous voice vote.

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L.1975 Chapter 231 permits the exclusion of the public from meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist; and

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WHEREAS, the Governing Body wishes to discuss:

Contract Negotiations: Watchung Hills Pop Warner Field Mowing Costs; Krausche Road Sewer Project

Property Acquisition: 2009 County Open Space Grant

WHEREAS, when and if the matters discussed become public record, this will be made known to the public at that time;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Warren, that the public is excluded from this Meeting;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that formal action may be taken upon reconvening to Public Session.

The meeting convened in Executive Session at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting reconvened to Public Session at 7:00 p.m.

A Certificate of Recognition was presented to Isabel Kim for the mural she designed and painted on the Municipal Tennis Court wall.

Certificates of Recognition were presented to the Arbitrators of the Community Dispute Resolution Program.

Mr. Marion introduced Ordinance No. 14-22 by title for second reading/adoption and read the following:

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$350,000 FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO DEAD RIVER ROAD FOR AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF WARREN IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, NEW JERSEY AND, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$166,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR FINANCING PART OF THE APPROPRIATION.**

Mayor DiNardo opened the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 14-22. No one wished to speak and the hearing was closed.

Ms. DiRocco stated that the statutory requirement concerning the Supplemental Debt Statement for this ordinance has been met.

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On motion of Mr. Marion, second of Mrs. Garafola, Ordinance No. 14-22 was adopted. The roll call vote was unanimous.

On motion of Mr. Sordillo, second of Mrs. Garafola, the Regular Session meeting minutes of July 16, 2014 were approved. The roll call vote was unanimous.

Mayor DiNardo opened the Comments on Agenda Items portion of the meeting.

Mr. Lakatos, Horseshoe Road questioned the insurance settlement amount of \$79,229.18 noted in Ordinance No. 14-23 relative to the construction of the new facility at Wagner Farm. Mr. Krane noted that this is the second insurance settlement payment. The original amount was \$320,000. This full amount is being used for the barn, sheds and a septic system. Mr. Lakatos also asked about the planned hiring of two new Police Officers. Mr. Krane stated that the planned hiring is a result of attrition.

Mrs. Garafola introduced and read Resolution No. 2014-176 for the payment of bills, seconded by Mr. Lazo. The roll call vote was unanimous.

Resolution No. 2014-176 is appended to the official minutes.

Mr. Sordillo introduced Ordinance No. 14-23 by title for first reading and read the following:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN APPROPRIATION  
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$270,000.00 FROM THE OPEN  
SPACE RECREATION AND FARMLAND AND  
HISTORIC PRESERVATION TRUST FUND AND  
\$79,229.18 FROM INSURANCE SETTLEMENT FOR A  
TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$349,229.18.

On motion of Mr. Sordillo, second of Mrs. Garafola, Ordinance No. 14-23 was passed on first reading. The roll call vote was unanimous.

Mr. Marion asked that Resolution No. 2014-181 be removed from the Consent Agenda to be voted on separately.

On motion of Mr. Lazo, second of Mrs. Garafola, the following Consent Agenda Resolutions were approved, carried by unanimous roll call vote:

- 2014- 177 AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF FIREWORKS PERMIT  
POP WARNER ATHLETIC FIELD – BONFIRE EVENT
- 2014-178 EXTEND THIRD QUARTER TAXES GRACE PERIOD  
TO AUGUST 25, 2014
- 2014-179 ESTABLISHING SALARY FOR POLICE CHIEF  
WILLIAM KEANE
- 2014-180 APPOINTING WILLIAM KEANE CUSTODIAN OF  
POLICE DEPARTMENT PETTY CASH FUND
- 2014-182 NORTHEAST COMMUNICATIONS, INC. – RADIO  
MAINTENANCE &  
PURCHASE OF RADIO EQUIPMENT FOR POLICE &  
FIRE
- 2014-183 AWARD OF CONTRACT AIR & GAS TECHNOLOGIES  
– CONTAINMENT AIR FILL STATION AND BOTTLES
- 2014-184 AUTHORIZING RESCHEDULING PUBLIC AUCTION OF  
VEHICLES WITH JUNK TITLE TO ADD CLARITY TO  
THE PUBLIC AUCTION NOTICE
- 2014-185 AUTHORIZING DEER MANAGEMENT HUNT ON  
CERTAIN TOWNSHIP AND COUNTY OWNED  
PROPERTIES
- 2014-186 APPROVAL OF THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM  
OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET RECEIVED FROM  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY – DRIVE SOBER OR GET  
PULLED OVER
- 2014-187 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF  
WARREN DIRECTING THE UNDERTAKING OF  
A CONTINUING DISCLOSURE REVIEW AND  
AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE  
MUNICIPALITIES CONTINUING DISCLOSURE  
COOPERATION INITIATIVE OF THE DIVISION  
OF ENFORCEMENT OF THE U.S.  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
- 2014-188 AUTHORIZING AMENDING SECTION 14 ENTITLED  
“OVERTIME” & ADDING SUBSECTION 2 ENTITLED,  
“COMPENSATORY TIME OFF FOR EXEMPT  
EMPLOYEES”

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Resolutions No. 2014-177 through 2014-188 are appended to the official minutes.

On motion of Mr. Lazo, second of Mrs. Garafola, Resolution No. 2014-181 entitled "AWARD OF CONTRACT MARMIC ASSOCIATES – COMPUTER MAINTENANCE" was introduced and adopted.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Lazo	Aye
Mr. Marion	Abstain
Mr. Sordillo	Aye
Mrs. Garafola	Aye
Mayor DiNardo	Aye

Resolution No. 2014-181 is appended to the official minutes.

On motion of Mrs. Garafola, second of Mr. Sordillo, Resolution No. 2014-189 entitled "APPOINTING ALFRED E. SHJARBACK AS THE WARREN TOWNSHIP FIRE OFFICIAL" was introduced and adopted. The roll call vote was unanimous.

Resolution No. 2014-189 is appended to the official minutes.

On motion of Mr. Marion, second of Mrs. Garafola, Resolution No. 2014-190 entitled "SUPPORTING DRIVE SOBER OR GET PULLED OVER 2014 STATE CRACKDOWN AUGUST 15 TO SEPTEMBER 1, 2014" was introduced and adopted. The roll call vote was unanimous.

Resolution No. 2014-190 is appended to the official minutes.

Mr. Krane stated that the 2015 Budget Goals and Procedures are basically the same as in previous years. The governing body agreed.

Mr. Krane stated that the building at Wagner Farm Arboretum is moving forward. An irrevocable license needs updating. The Mayor recommended that Mrs. Garafola and Mr. Lazo meet to discuss a use agreement. Mr. Krane and Mr. Lehrer will participate in the discussions as well.

Mr. Lehrer stated that several years ago, the State amended licensing regarding Massage Therapists. The Therapists are actually licensed. The ordinance needs to be revised to regulate the establishment. The

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licensing should be done through the Board of Health. An Ordinance will be prepared to effect the revisions.

The governing body agreed to renewing the house lease at 195 Mountain Avenue.

In reference to the hiring of two new Police Officers, the governing body agreed to authorize the process.

Mayor DiNardo opened the Privilege of the Floor portion of the meeting. No one wished to speak and this portion of the meeting was closed.

Mr. Lazo introduced and read resolution No. 2014-191, seconded by Mr. Marion and carried by unanimous voice vote.

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L.1975 Chapter 231 permits the exclusion of the public from meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body wishes to discuss:

Personnel: Interviews – Promotions to Sergeant and Lieutenant Positions

WHEREAS, when and if the matters discussed become public record, this will be made known to the public at that time;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Warren, that the public is excluded from this Meeting;

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The meeting convened in Executive Session at 7:40 p.m.

The meeting reconvened to Public Session at 9:14 p.m.

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On motion of Mrs. Garafola, second of Mr. Lazo, Resolution No. 2014-192 entitled "PROMOTION TO POLICE LIEUTENANT GRADE 2 – ERIC YACCARINO" was introduced and adopted. The roll call vote was unanimous.

Resolution No. 2014-192 is appended to the official minutes.

On motion of Mrs. Garafola, second of Mr. Lazo, Resolution No. 2014-193 entitled "PROMOTION TO POLICE SERGEANT GRADE 2 – KEVIN GALLAGHER" was introduced and adopted. The roll call vote was unanimous.

Resolution No. 2014-193 is appended to the official minutes.

On motion of Mr. Sordillo, second of Mr. Marion, and unanimous voice vote, the meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. DiRocco, RMC  
Township Clerk